

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G. #68-12-15 Building Date: 1904

Building Name: Rau House

Location: 4316 40th Street, Brentwood, Maryland

Private/Residence/Occupied/Good/Inaccessible

Description

The Rau House is a 2 1/2-story front-gabled frame dwelling. Entrance is in the third bay of the three-bay southeast gable front. This facade is sheltered by a one-story hip-roof porch with plain posts. The original wood siding is covered with white asbestos shingle. Windows are 2/2; the plain board surrounds are painted light green, as is the other trim. There is a two-story pedimented projecting bay in the southwest side elevation, with fish-scale shingling decorating the pediment.

Significance

The Rau House is a good example of the front-gabled frame dwelling which was built on the lots of developing subdivision of the early twentieth century. It is varied by the addition of a pedimented projecting bay on one of the side elevations, a feature which sets this house apart from the more representative examples of this popular house form. This house was built in 1904 for the family of Conrad Rau, a mill worker. It was the first house built in this block of Ivy Street (now 40th Street) in the Holladay Company subdivision.

Acreage: 7,050 Square feet

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Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

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1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Rau House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 4316 40th Street ☐ not for publication

city, town Brentwood ☐ vicinity of congressional district 4

state Maryland county Prince George's

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Scott Simons

street & number 4316 40th Street telephone no.:

city, town Brentwood state and zip code MD 20722

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse liber 7921

street & number 14735 Main Street folio 708

city, town Upper Marlboro state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title None

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition

☐ excellent
☒ good
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered
☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site

☐ moved

date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

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8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1904

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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Prince George's County Deeds
Prince George's County Tax Assessments
Prince George's County Probate Records
Prince George's County Plats

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 7050 sq. ft. (Holladay, Block 26, lot 16)

Quadrangle name Washington East

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Zone Easting Northing

B

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Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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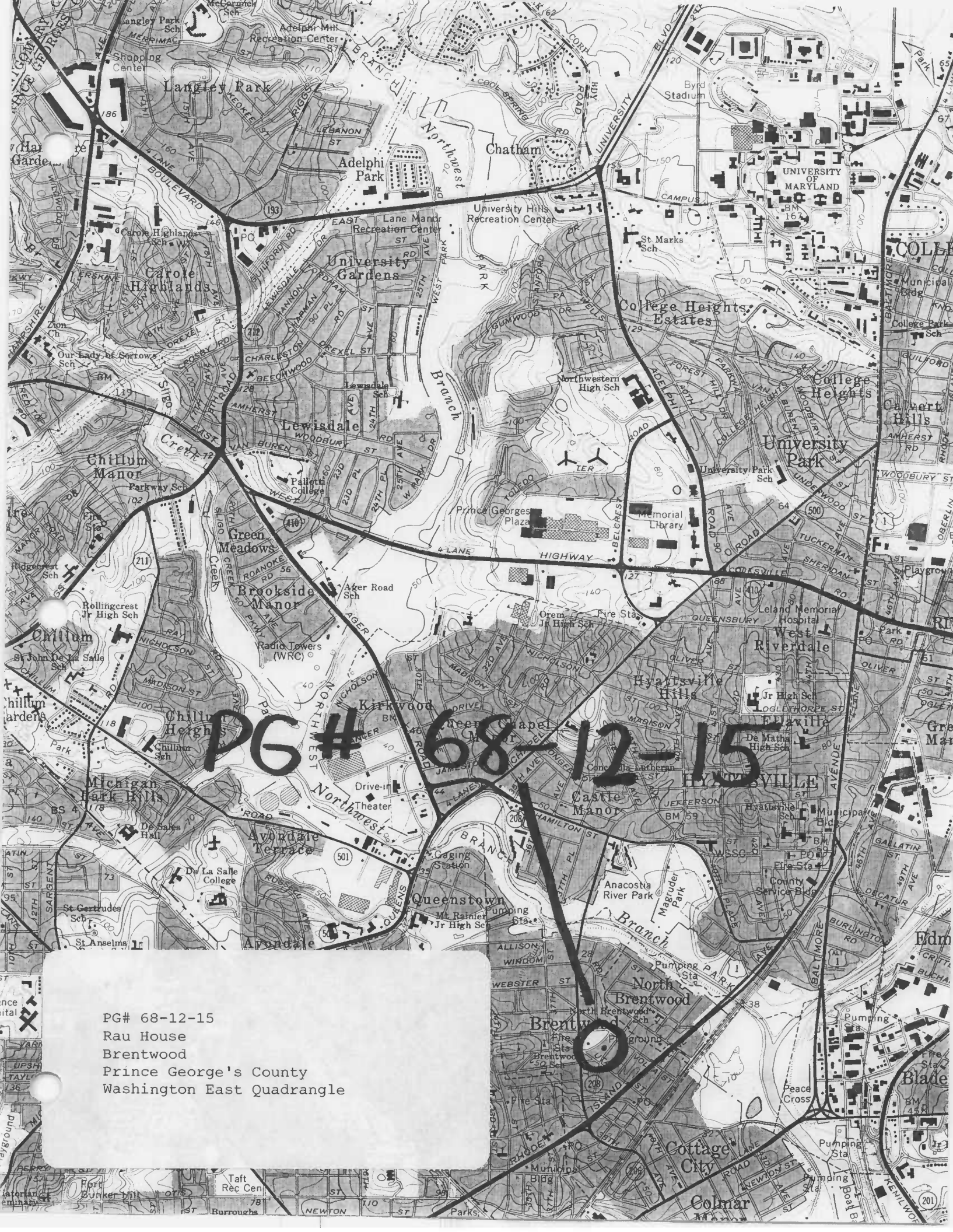
city or town Upper Marlboro

state MD

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Washington East Quadrangle



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Conrad Rau House
4316 40th St.
Brentwood, Pa Co
Susan H. Pearl

May 1972

East $\frac{3}{4}$ elevation

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